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FIFTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

Counties.—Clay, Montague and Wise, with the unorganized counties west of Clay.

REPRESENTATIVE GEORGE B. PICKETT is a native of Kentucky; came to Texas when he was only seven years of age, and is now 41 years old; received his education in Texas,

and has devoted himself to the pursuits of agriculture; resides, with his family, at Decatur, in Wise county, and has done much as a citizen to advance and build up the interests of the frontier of Texas.

Mr. Pickett has done some public service. He was a soldier in the Confederate States Army; was first captain of a company; then promoted to the rank of major, and next to that of lieutenant colonel of the Fifteenth Texas, Sweet's Regiment. He was a zealous representative of the frontier in the lower house of the Fourteenth Legislature, and was again elected as a Democrat to the Fifteenth Legislature by the same people. He is a gentleman of the most sterling character and faithful to his public trust.